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- 25X1 1. Four divisions of troops are being organized under Soviet control in Rumania for possible use against the Yugoslav Government forces. This unit, known as "Slobodna Jugoslavia" (Free Yugoslavia), is under the military command of General Pero Popivoda, who lives in Bucharest. General Popivoda frequently travels to Hungary on Cominform business. Punds for "Slobodna Jugoslavia" are provided by Vasile Luca, Rumanian Minister of Finance. Units of the organization are stationed at Timisoara, Ivanda, San Martin and Dinias.
- 25X1 2. The political leader of the pro-Cominform Yugoslavs in Rumania is Radonja Golubovic,* the official Yugoslav Communist Party representative within the Cominform. Through his friendship with Gheorghe Gheorghiu-Dej, Vice Premier, Golubovic is able to procure sizeable funds for propaganda services.
- 25X1 3. Virgil Trofim, a Rumanian Communist, has been appointed to the position of official liaison officer between the Rumanian Communist Party and the Yugoslav groups. The old Association for Rumanian-Yugoslav Friendship has been dissolved, and a new association is being formed under the leadership of the secretary of the old group, Adorian (fnu). The "Jugoslavenska Knjiga" was recently disbanded, and its president, Milas Todorov, has been placed under arrest.
- 25X1 [] Comment: Radonja Golubovic was formerly the Yugoslav Ambassador to Rumania. He resigned (1 August 1948) in protest to the Tito Government which had "strayed from the Party line" during the Cominform dispute.

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